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AUTO PLANTS INCREASE PRODUCTION;
CONSUMER BUYING ACTIVE

BOOST MOTORCYCLE PRODUCTION -- Moskovskiy Bol'shevik, No 224, 22 Sep 49

Production in the Moscow Motorcycle Plant has reached the 1950 level, thousands of cycles having been produced in excess of plan by 21 September.

The durability of cylinders, piston rings, and spokes has considerably improved, and the power of the motors has been increased. A Moskva model, recently out of the plant, went 10,000 kilometers under test without repairs as compared to the former figure of 6,000 kilometers.

PLANT BEATS PLAN -- Pravda Vostoka, No 174, 3 Sep 49

The "Krasnyy Dvigatel'" Plant in Samarkand fulfilled the Five-Year Plan at the end of last year. Production during this year has increased 27 percent.

AUTO PLANT PROMISES TO KICKED PLAN -- Krasnaya Zvezda, No 220, 17 Sep 49

The Gor'kiy Automobile Plant is bristling with Stakhanovites, motor shop No 2 boasting a 100-percent complement.

The plant has promised to meet the third quarter production plan ahead of time, going over by several million rubles, to fulfill the year assemblage plan for the GAZ-AA by 10 October, and to reach by 7 November the GAZ-51 assemblage plan mark set for January 1950.

AUTO REPAIR PLANT MAKES PLEDGE -- Komsunist Tadzhikstana, No 178, 10 Sep 49

The workers of the Stalinabad Automobile Repair Plant have pledged to meet this year's norm 200-250 percent and to complete the plan by 7 November.

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LATVIA GETS NEW MACHINES -- Sovetskaya Latvya, No 211, 7 Sep 49

The Latpstraboyuz (Latvian Consumers Union) has received 60 loading machines from the Gor'kiy Plant imeni Molotov. The new machines will be used in the Elgava, Bauska, Riga, and other districts.

In the Elgava district kolkhozes are getting trucks, and individuals are buying light cars and motorcycles.

AUTOMOBILE PLANTS CONVERT -- Vechernyaya Moskva, No 221, 16 Sep 49

Assembly of automobile and tractor engines at the ARYAMZ Automobile Repair Plant has been converted to conveyor methods. The production cycle has been cut 20 hours; labor productivity in the more important operations has been increased nearly four times.

Machining of electromobile body parts at the Automobile and Tractor Electrical Equipment Plant has been switched to combination machine tools, which has cut labor consumption almost three times.

NEW MOTORCYCLE SIDECAR PRODUCED -- Sovetskaya Moldavia, No 186, 16 Sep 49

The Irbit Motorcycle Plant is converting this year to series production of a new model detachable sidecar for the high-powered M-72 motorcycle. In the design of this sidecar, the free-wheel principle has been used, which improves the road-holding qualities of the motorcycle and makes it more suitable for traveling where no roads exist.

AUTO PLANT NEEDS IMPREGNATED CARDBOARD -- Trud, No 218, 15 Sep 49

The Gor'kiy Automobile Plant imeni Molotov receives from the Surazh "Proletariy" Factory its supplies of impregnated cardboard for the hermetization of parts of the rear axle, steering wheel, transmission gear box, and other units. The quality of this cardboard has been poor, and during the past 3 years the "Proletariy" has been experimenting with new types, occasionally submitting samples to the Molotov Plant for approval. The latter has approved several samples, but to date has not been able to obtain a higher quality cardboard.

The "Proletariy" management and TsNIIIB (Central Science and Research Institute for Paper Industry) are responsible for this situation.

GEORGIANS BUY MOSCOW AUTOS -- Pravda Ukraina, No 194, 18 Aug 49

The first consignment of light automobiles for sale to the public arrived in Tbilisi in the spring. To date, 1,850 Pobeda and Moskvich models have been sold.

CARS SOLD IN KIEV -- Pravda, No 254, 11 Sep 49

About a year ago, a special store opened in Kiev for the sale of automobiles; since then, more than a thousand Kiev citizens have bought light Moskvich and Pobeda cars. The customers included Stakhanovites, engineers, scholars, artists and kolkhoz members.

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ISSUES NEW REGULATIONS FOR BUYING CARS -- Vechernyaya Moskva, No 220, 15 Sep 49

The Ministry of Trade USSR has issued new regulations for the sale of light automobiles, motorcycles, bicycles, and spare parts in the specialized stores of the Glavavtotraktorosbyt. These may be sold only to individuals, for cash, and must be claimed within 3 days. At the end of that period, they are sold to other customers and the money is refunded.

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